

Peer Resource Center

at the VSIN 4 Mental Illness Research,
Education and Clinical Center (MIRECC)

Quick Fact Sheet

MIRECC Peer Resource Center at the VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System

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What is a Peer Specialist?

Peer Specialists are staff or volunteers who have experienced behavioral health issues and who are certified and trained to use those experiences to provide recovery services to Veterans.

What is the Peer Resource Center?

The MIRECC Peer Resource Center at the VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System is dedicated to supporting VA Peer Specialists by providing:

- ◆ Consulting Services
- ◆ Training
- ◆ Research and Monitoring
- ◆ Advocacy

Led by Matthew Chinman, PhD, a longtime peer services researcher, the Center offers consulting services to programs or departments hoping to initiate, expand or improve peer support services. We coordinate training and education opportunities with local and national experts who are experienced in this field.

How do I find out more about the Center and the services it provides?

- ◆ Visit our website: www.mirecc.va.gov/visn4/PeerResourceCenter/about.asp
- ◆ Reach out to us via phone or email:
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